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SUBJECT: TEXTS OF WHITE HOUSE LETTERS TO CHINESE LEADERSHIP

TEXTS OF PRESIDENT'S LETTER TO ZHAO ZIYANG AND VICE
PRESIDENT'S LETTER TO DENG XIAOPING FOLLOW:

1. PRESIDENT REAGAN'S LETTER TO ZHAO ZIYANG BEGIN TEXT:
DEAR MR. PREMIER: I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY OF
SECRETARY HAIG'S VISIT TO CONVEY MY WARM REGARDS TO YOU
AND OTHER LEADERS OF YOUR COUNTRY. MY ADMINISTRATION IS
COMMITTED TO STRENGTHENING THE STRATEGIC, ECONOMIC, AND
CULTURAL TIES WHICH LINK OUR TWO NATIONS AND PEOPLES. YOUR
EFFORT TO MODERNIZE CHINA'S ECONOMY AND DEMOCRATIZE CHINA'S
POLITICAL STRUCTURES IS ONE OF THE MAJOR UNDERTAKINGS OF
OUR AGE. MY ADMINISTRATION AND MY COUNTRYMEN STAND READY
TO ASSIST YOU IN WAYS YOU MAY FIND HELPFUL.
IN RECENT DAYS, SECRETARY HAIG AND I, ALONG WITH OTHER
HIGH-RANKING ADVISERS, HAVE DISCUSSED HIS VISIT TO CHINA
AT CONSIDERABLE LENGTH. SECRETARY HAIG COMES TO CHINA
PREPARED TO DISCUSS OUR BILATERAL RELATIONS, AS WELL
AS OUR RESPECTIVE POLICES TOWARD THIRD AREAS. YOU
MAY BE ASSURED THAT HE COMES WITH FULL AUTHORITY TO
REPRESENT MY VIEWS AND THE VIEWS OF MY ADMINISTRATION.
I SHOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO RENEW MY
INVITATION TO YOU TO VISIT WASHINGTON LATER THIS YEAR
OR EARLY IN 1982, WHICH WILL, AS YOU KNOW, MARK THE
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TENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SHANGHAI COMMUNIQUE.
WITH MY GOOD WISHES. SINCERELY, RONALD REAGAN. END TEXT.

2. VICE PRESIDENT BUSH'S LETTER TO DENG XIAOPING, DATED
JUNE 10, 1981. BEGIN TEXT: DEAR MR. VICE CHAIRMAN: I
HAVE ASKED SECRETARY OF STATE ALEXANDER M. HAIG, JR.,
TO CONVEY THIS LETTER AND WITH IT MY WARMEST REGARDS TO
YOU. I RECALL WITH PLEASURE MY PREVIOUS SERVICE IN
CHINA, AND HOPE THAT I CONTRIBUTED TO THE BUILDING OF
THE BENEFICIAL RELATIONS WHICH OUR TWO COUNTRIES AND
PEOPLES NOW ENJOY. I ALSO RECALL MY PREVIOUS MEETINGS
WITH YOU AND CONSIDER THE CANDOR OF OUR EXCHANGES AN
INDICATION OF THE BASIC HEALTH OF OUR RELATIONSHIP.
PRESIDENT REAGAN AND I ARE COMMITTED TO THE FURTHER
DEVELOPMENT OF STRONG US-CHINA RELATIONS. WE UNDERTAKE
THIS COMMITMENT BECAUSE IT IS IN AMERICA'S INTERESTS TO
DO SO. WE BELIEVE THAT IT IS ALSO IN CHINA'S INTERESTS.
MR. VICE CHAIRMAN, I HOPE THAT WE MAY HAVE FURTHER
OCCASIONS TO MEET. I LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING OTHER
DISTINGUISHED CHINESE VISITORS TO OUR COUNTRY. MY
WIFE, BARBARA, JOINS ME IN WISHING YOU AND YOUR WIFE,
ZHUO LIN, THE VERY BEST. WITH WARM REGARDS, GEORGE
BUSH. END TEXT.
HAIG

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